

## NEGROES LEAVING WEST SAINT LOUIS

### New Exodus Due To Feeling Of Unprotection When Militia Quits Ill-Fated Town. Best Citizens Leaving.

#### Senator Sherman Says "Citizens Are Living On Edge Of Volcano." Insurance Companies Cancelling Risks. Landlords Ask Tenants To Move.

Regardless of the fact that every effort has been made to quiet the unrest among the Negro citizens in East St. Louis, it is undeniably true that the ill-fated city is gradually being evacuated. This does not apply only to the recent comers to the place, but to old residents as well. Men who have spent their lives in building up a substantial business, who have accumulated property and have established reputations for thrift and honesty, whose honor is being respected, are leaving all the fruits of their labor behind and fleeing to other parts. Wagon loads after wagon loads of household effects are almost continuously crossing the bridge to Lewis.

Others going in different directions, travel to surrounding towns, where housing conditions are already overtaxed, and many more are beginning to appear. The tenement districts of St. Louis are becoming congested and few homes are for rent. There is no estimate of the number of Negroes who have left East St. Louis, but many are of the opinion that within another week only a few will remain.

It is generally thought that about a week ago that conditions were settled and the Negroes would return. But since it has been learned that all the Negroes are being sent to the 25th of this month, preparatory to being mustered into the regular army service; and because of repeated statements being circulated that as soon as the soldiers are gone the Negroes would again be attacked by the mob, a new exodus has been started by those who were inclined to stay. They state that their homes have been invaded by the police and military forces and their arms taken and they are now left at the mercy of the mob without self protection.

To date, twelve indictments have been returned against five white and six colored. In the evidence being submitted, charges and cross charges are being made by the police and militia against each other, but there seems to be a general impression that it is not the militia that are to be blamed, but the police. It is rumored that landlords are requesting their tenants to move and that certain time payment furniture houses are offering to take back partially paid for furniture and refund amount advanced.

#### CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES PLAN TO REMOVE POLICE BOARD

At a meeting of the City Council of East St. Louis yesterday the Board of Aldermen rejected the plan of Mayor Molman and a committee of citizens to appoint a new Police Board. Mayor Molman said that if he were to appoint a new Police Board the Council would refuse to confirm his appointment. This particular disposition of the attempt of the citizens to change the board, it is said.

#### SENATE TOLD MOVING IS LIKELY TO BE REVERSED

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Urging prompt adoption of the resolution for a congressional investigation of the recent race riots at East St. Louis, Ill., Senator Sherman today told the Senate that the situation still appears to be serious. "There is so much influence in procuring acquittal of guilty men in Illinois as there ever was in Georgia," he said. "This because this country is liable to be again humiliated," said Senator Sherman. "Both the Negro and the white citizens of East St. Louis are living on the edge of a volcano, which may result in a riot worse than the previous one."

Senator Lewis said any federal investigation should not interfere with state action but that the Department of Justice already had put its machine-

ry in motion to deal with the situation.

#### FORTINETELLER CAUTIONS SCARE

The report circulated in the Illinois district of St. Louis, last Saturday night that white residents in the neighborhood of Summer High School were planning to destroy the building, Chief of Police Young assigned several policemen and detectives to guard the school but the "mob" did not materialize.

Special Officer H. Cooper learned that Mrs. Gibson had visited a fortune teller, who prophesied the fire.

#### SENIOR BAKER ORDERS COLONEL YOUNG RESTORED TO ACTIVE DUTY

Services Needed by War Department. War Secretary Primes Colored Training Camp.

Washington, D. C.—In response to a letter from Dean Kelly Miller, of Howard University, Secretary Baker issued a statement, to the effect that Colonel Young has been restored to active duty. Dean Miller's letter to the secretary transmitted the complaint of Attorney Charles S. Darden, of Los Angeles, which represented the possibility of injustice being done Colonel Young at the present time. Darden stated that it was the opinion of men well informed on the subject, that Colonel Young would be retired by the government for the purpose of preventing his further advancement in the army, and his actual participation in the present war. In response, the War Department issued the following statement:

"Dear Mr. Miller: If you have just received your copy of July 5, and return believing the statement you enclosed, I am very happy to tell you that the work at the training camp is going on very markedly well, and the reports I have from it are very good. The spirit of the men is fine, and apparently the most enjoyable training yet. The following names of relief have been administered to date: (See list.)

The work of the relief committee has developed the fact that there is a great need of clothing among the sufferers of the East St. Louis riots. All persons desiring to aid in this (Continued on Page 8.)

#### ST. PAUL SUNDAY SCHOOL

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 19.—The St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday school picnic will take place Thursday, August 2, at O'Fallon Park. The following entertainment will be featured: Volley and baseball, tennis and croquet games, races, drills and ballroom exercises. Other Sunday schools are requested to participate in the amusement.

The great enthusiasm evidenced by the pupils and the co-operation of the St. Paul community to make this the most enjoyable outing of the season. All are cordially invited. Mr. will be furnished by the Odd Fellows Band. E. H. Thomas, General Chairman; H. W. Keenly, Supporter; Roscoe Croshaw, Secretary; Dr. W. B. Johnson, Pastor.

#### NOTICE

This is to notify the public that I am no longer Treasurer for the East St. Louis Refugee Fund. Aron E. Malone, Porto Colono, 5100 Pine St.

## BRANCH N. A. A. C. P. IS DOING GOOD RESCUE WORK

Donations To Date \$507.55 Relief Amounts To \$116.02 Committee On Finance Report: "Good, Much Needed For Clothing."

The St. Louis Branch N. A. A. C. P. is busily engaged in collecting money necessary to relieve the suffering incident to the East St. Louis riots, and to carry on the work of legal investigation and prosecution of the criminality guilty.

The Committee on Finance has arranged recognition within the present week and is conducting a St. Louis Branch N. A. A. C. P. campaign, Mr. William H. Pech, chairman; Mr. William H. Hoffman, secretary-treasurer; Dr. J. T. Castro; Rev. H. F. Abney; Rev. W. E. Lloyd and Mr. James L. Usher.

The new committee has inaugurated a state wide canvass for funds to enable the St. Louis Branch to raise two thousand dollars required for the legal investigation and prosecution. Returns are now coming in. The following is a complete list of cash donations to the East St. Louis Refugee Relief Fund to date: (See list.)

It is highly imperative that every person of color should share in this movement, for his individual safety is involved.

All contributions should be sent direct to Mr. William H. Hoffman, secretary-treasurer, at 5137 Pine Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Paul W. Moseley is in charge of the relief work with headquarters at 2137 Pine Street, St. Louis, Missouri. The following names of relief have been administered to date: (See list.)

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#### AMERICAN WOODMEN Daylight Excursion

The American Woodmen, the newest, largest and most successful organization in the world, will give a daylight excursion to Washington Park on the steamer "Ogden" Monday, August 6. The boat will leave at 10 a. m. and will stop at Alton, Ill., each way. Round trip tickets will be 35 cents, children 25 cents. Jack W. Grant, "The Old Campaigner," has been engaged to direct. This will be the first daylight excursion he has directed in twenty years.

The committee consists of: T. L. Gentry, Bismarck Valley, R. J. Jones, Dr. C. H. Haskins, Jas. E. Bush, R. J. Raymond, Jas. P. Murray, Monahan, Mattie Malone, Mianle Turner, Nola Logan, and Catharine Eastman.

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## PRESIDENT WILSON ASKED TO REDEEM HIS PROMISE

It is commonly said that opportunity knocks once at the door of every man, and in the lives of all great men of the past we can point to the psychological moment that made them great and opened for them a new path. There never was nor never will be a better opportunity for the President to prove his sympathy and fair dealing to a nation, expressed in a letter to Bishop Alexander Walters in New York City, October 16, 1912. His words are as follows:

"The colored people of the United States have made extraordinary progress toward self support and usefulness, and ought to be encouraged in every possible and proper way. My sympathy with their noble stand, and I want to assure them through you that should I become President of the United States, you may rest upon me for absolutely fair dealing and everything by which I could assist in advancing the interest of their race in the United States."

Cordially and devoutly yours, WOODROW WILSON.

The Bishop did the race a great service in preserving this letter, and it should serve as a reminder for all time, whether promises be kept or broken.

## STOCKHOLDERS DENY GORDON'S STATEMENTS

EDITOR ST. LOUIS ARGUS:—In your issue of July 13th appeared a statement of Mr. W. C. Gordon which contained many things untrue. The undersigned request that you give the public an opportunity to hear the other side. The statement by Mr. Gordon that he had advanced the sum of \$500,000 to increase the capital stock of the Arme Laundry Co. is untrue. Inasmuch as Mr. Gordon has been able to make the statement about the increase of stock, it is clear that he has advanced the money for such increase, it might be well to call attention to the fact, that the first disbursement of the \$500,000 was made to Freeman, Mitchell, and Moore, who were the stockholders of the Arme Laundry Co. to which these stockholders "would not" attend.

Attention is called to the fact that the receiver's sale was bought through by stockholders of the Arme Laundry. These stockholders instituted a suit against W. C. Gordon and requested that the court order him to pay the sum of \$500,000 to increase the capital stock. The receiver took charge of the property and upon investigation found that the charges the stockholders made that the Arme Laundry was insolvent and unable to pay its debts were true, and the court ordered the receiver to sell the property, but not to pay to the Arme Laundry the sum of \$500,000. The validity of the mortgage which Mr. Gordon now claims to hold against the Arme Laundry Co. is now being investigated by the receiver, and the legality is yet to be determined in a suit now pending in the Circuit Court.

The undersigned also state that the purely philanthropic motive, which Mr. Gordon claims was his reason for investing in the Arme Laundry, is now being investigated by the receiver, and the legality is yet to be determined in a suit now pending in the Circuit Court.

There will be a Grand Moonlight Excursion given by the Methodist Episcopal Church of the A. E. O. E. on Monday, July 23, on the steamer "Ogden." Boat leaves foot of Olive Street 8:30 p. m., rain or shine. Reservations will be served at Adams, 51 cents round trip. W. W. Grant, Director.

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MADAM C. J. WALKER

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Famous Business Woman, After Long and Successful Trip Through West and South, Goes to New York for Much Needed Rest.

New York, July 11.—Mrs. C. J. Walker, the famous business woman whose name is a household word throughout the country, returned to the city last Friday after a strenuous and successful business trip of eleven months throughout the South and West. Madam Walker was accompanied by her secretary, Miss Annie Green, for ten years an instructor at Willey University, Marshall, Texas.

Tired out by her long trip she planned nevertheless immediately in the details of finishing the construction of her new home at Irvington-on-the-Hudson. Asked by a news reporter to say to what she thought of Colonel Roosevelt's stand on lynching, she declared that it looked to her as if the Caucasian rather than the colored man was going back. His stand was not only out of place, but at the psychological moment and place. "His outrage is equal only to his filices and his grand patriotism," she said in the telegram Miss Walker sent.

July 8, 1917.  
Col. Theodore Roosevelt.  
Oyster Bay, L. I., N. Y.

Have just returned to the city and learned from the papers that you have dared to stand up against the flood of race prejudice which is sweeping away the foundations of equal liberties. We Negroes owe you a debt of gratitude already and this many act of yours increases that debt. I want you to know how deeply my race appreciates the stand you have taken, and that we shall not soon forget.

(Signed) MRS. C. J. WALKER,  
108 W. 130th St.,  
N. Y. City.

#### PITTSFIELD CITIZENS THANK ROOSEVELT

Memo to the Argus.

Pittsfield, Mass.—The following message was sent to Ex-President Roosevelt by citizens of Pittsfield, Mr. Theo. Roosevelt.

We the 500 colored citizens of Pittsfield, Mass., join in sending you many thanks for your hearty greetings and thanks for your sympathetic speech in behalf of our people in Concord, Mass. July 4, 1917, against the riot and murder in East St. Louis.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for speaking for a nation of people without a voice. We are your sincerely, the colored citizens of Pittsfield, Mass.

Jas. Musley, Representative.

#### TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FAMILIES WANTED FOR OMAR, W. VA.

Rev. C. W. Coffey, of Omar, West Virginia, is in the city in an effort to get 250 white and 250 colored men, single or with families, to move to Omar. Dr. Coffey is representing the Industrial League for Colored People. He states that there is a good return with schools, churches, colored doctors and preachers, also Y. M. C. A., Red Cross and public bath. He has large lots for gardening and raising chickens, hogs, etc. Constant employment is guaranteed and transportation given free.

## SUPREME SESSION K. O. P. LOOKS TO BE GRANDEST EVER

From All Reports, The Encampment In St. Louis, Aug. 19-25, Will Be The Banner Meeting Of The Lodge.

#### TEXAS GRAND CHANCELLOR DENIES POST DISPATCH INTERVIEW

Says Texas Delegation Is Coming And Requests Convenient Headquarters For A Big Representatives From "The Lone Star State."

All indications point to the St. Louis session and encampment of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Aug. 19-25, being the greatest and grandest ever. Never before has the history of the lodge has there been such a demand for reservations on the encampment grounds, several additional sessions have been held and all have sent uniformed companies and bands. W. S. Willis, Grand Chancellor of Texas sent a denial, this week, of the statement credited to him in the Post Dispatch and asked that quarters be arranged for the Texas delegation. His letter follows:

Dear Sir: Texas, July 13, 1917.  
Mr. W. E. Osborn, Gen. Sec.  
2116 Market St.  
St. Louis, Mo.

Your letter of July 11th to hand calling my attention to an interview in the Post Dispatch of your city in which I am alleged to have been quoted as saying that the Supreme Lodge session would be called off on account of the trouble in East St. Louis.

I am sorry to have been quoted as saying that the Supreme Lodge session would be called off on account of the trouble in East St. Louis. I am sorry to have been quoted as saying that the Supreme Lodge session would be called off on account of the trouble in East St. Louis.

A few days ago, a reporter for the New Orleans Times called on me over the telephone and was discussing the horrible affair in East St. Louis and asking me whether or not the Supreme Lodge would be called off on that account. I told him that it would be a matter left entirely to the Supreme Chancellor who would take all matters under consideration, and if he deemed it advisable he would call the meeting off. I stated to him further that there had been some talk in St. Louis of calling off the dogs, but that I was not at all sure of that.

I wish to assure you that I shall feel as safe in St. Louis at the coming session of the Supreme Lodge as I would feel anywhere else. I would not care to see the Supreme Lodge convened in East St. Louis, personally I would go as readily there as I would anywhere else.

It is my experience from observation that localities after suffering from affairs of this kind that happened in East St. Louis, are more than ever ready to do their duty than at any time during the history of the city. I believe that out of this most unfortunate thing will come a better thing, and that it will serve only to tighten the bond when nation will be a thing of the past.

You are authorized to say that the jurisdiction of Texas has no objection and shall not register any objection against coming to St. Louis on account of what happened in East St. Louis.

At the time your letter came to me to write you relative to the Texas delegation's headquarters. Kindly let me hear for an answer before the Texas delegation comes here, as it is possible and for me to hear from you as soon as possible.

With best wishes I am, Yours faithfully,  
W. S. Willis, G. C.

General Butler arranged for three battalions and a band of 25 pieces from the water or an industrial camp in Kansas City last week.

#### GRAND LODGE U. E. O. E. OF A.

The local committee of the Ancient United Knights and Daughters of Africa is making large preparations to entertain the delegates and visitors who will be in the city for the Grand session August 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Grand Master, W. Herbert Fields stated that this would assure all proper sessions in attendance as delegates would come from far-away California.

Every woman is expected to register Saturday July 28 at a polling place in her precinct. If you do not sign up your name for the polls, you will be careful and not waste food. Polls will be open from 8:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m.

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## OUT OF TOWN NEWS.

**HOUSTON, TEX.**  
The members of the First Missionary Baptist Church are very glad to report their rapid progress under the splendid leadership of Rev. Pitts. The choir is to be congratulated for their excellent service rendered under the supervision of Miss Wade and Mr. C. W. Blake. Sunday, July 4, was a very busy day with us. Sunday school in the morning at 9:30, was well attended, with many new faces present; 10:30 to 11:30 a. m., concert meeting, at which time all present enjoyed a spiritual feast with four additions to the church. All are invited to worship with us.  
Rev. J. W. Pitts, Pastor.

**SOUTH KIRKWOOD PARK, MO.**

The Second Baptist Church and Auxiliary are progressing in every way. We are glad to send greetings to all co-workers in Christ. Our pastor, Rev. A. P. Harrold, preached a wonderful sermon, last Sunday evening. Rev. Smith was the guest of Sister Wright, of this city, at the district Association and Convention will depart to represent our church August 5. Our choir, under the leadership of Brother Z. Jackson, E. Butler and Sister Willie Holmes, is doing nicely.

**CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.**

By Miss M. N. Jones  
Miss Lucinda Abernathy has postponed her trip to Moberly, Mo., until a later date. Miss L. E. Williams and Mr. Wm. Sheppard left for Little Rock, Ark., last week, where they will attend the National Grand Lodge of M. T. of A. meeting. Miss Beatrice Kinnear, of 428 Lucky St., St. Louis, is the guest of Miss Thelma Allen. The young people, especially Mr. E. E. Allen, are putting forth every effort to make her stay in this city a pleasant one. The home of Mrs. Alice Handy was completely destroyed by fire last Friday. Only a few of her household goods were saved. Mrs. Virgie Lockridge Sherwood is still on the sick list. Prof. O. O. Nance is somewhat indisposed. Sunday services were enjoyed at Pleasant Green Church, as usual. Rev. Headen, of Clarkdale, Miss., was the honored guest at the A. M. E. Church last Sunday. Rev. M. S. Smith and a number of friends, including members of the Knights of G. B. of E., motored to Allenville, Mo., where they attended the annual service and basket dinner. Rev. Smith's brief but excellent remarks were enjoyed by all. The party returned to the Cape in time to attend the evening service.

**WESTPORT GROVES, MO.**

By Mrs. Leola Laird  
A splendid literary program is promised to be rendered by the members of the Christian Endeavor of the M.

E. Church. All are invited. Mr. R. G. Grunkin, president, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Wilkerson and Mr. Frank Wilkerson, of Vicksburg, Miss., Company, St. Louis, were pleasant visitors at the home of their mother, Mr. Ellen Wilkerson, of N. Elm St., last Sunday. Mrs. Nellie Baker was called to Washington, to attend the burial of her mother, last Friday. Mrs. Anna Jackson was called to Pine Bluff, Ark., last Tuesday night to attend the burial of her mother. Mrs. Emma Sanders departed last Saturday for different points in Arkansas, to visit relatives. Mrs. Lizzie Baldwin, of Oklahoma, spent last Sunday with the Misses Julia and Lottie Gulliford. Mrs. Fannie Henry departed July 19 to visit her son, Rev. John Allen, formerly of Webster Grove, now residing at Sharon, Pa. Miss Nannie Whitman, of St. Louis, reported a pleasant day with Mrs. J. C. Lewis, last Sunday. Little Marjorie Crockett, of 4218 West, is having a jolly time on the lawn of her aunt, Mrs. J. C. Lewis.

**BOONVILLE, MO.**

By Wm. B. Toley  
A group of young men met at the A. M. E. parsonage Friday evening and organized a club. The club will be auxiliary to the church. The aim of this club is to uplift young men and for the entertainment of strangers. The following officers were elected: Fred Wilson, President; Wendell Allen, Vice-president; Earl Payde, Secretary; Cap Coleman, Assistant Secretary; B. Bailey, Treasurer; Leslie Bailey, Sergeant at Arms. Mr. Geo. Davis and wife of Sedalia, Mo., visited friends in this city a few days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Davis departed for Shelbyville, Mo., Monday morning. Miss Nettie Ellis, who has been visiting friends at Kansas City, Kan., has returned home. She reports a very pleasant visit. Mr. Wm. Brown, who has been visiting friends at Chicago, Ill., is in our city again. Rev. H. W. Botts is back from his business trip to Des Moines, Iowa. Miss Mabel Barnes, of Fayette, Mo., was in Boonville Thursday evening. Mrs. Annie Toley attended the annual service of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. at Fayette, Mo., Sunday. Mr. Elmer Larry, who has been making his home in St. Louis, is visiting friends and relatives here. A party of sixteen young people motored to Chouteau Springs Thursday evening. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. Pauline Humphries. After spending a pleasant time at Chouteau, the members of the party returned to Boonville and enjoyed a perfect evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jackson.

**POPLAR BLUFF, MO.**

By Mrs. C. F. Jackson  
Mr. Hardin Lovelace, of Jonesboro, Ark., was a business visitor in this city Saturday. The Enfranchisement Club gave a Lines Shower in honor of Miss Willie Smith, a future bride, at the home of Mrs. Edna Olmstead, last night, July 2. Mrs. S. D. Conner, of

Marion, Ark., departed for his home last Tuesday after a pleasant visit with her cousin, Miss Willye and Katie Smith. While here, she was royally entertained by Mrs. M. R. Wyatt and others. Mrs. Hattie Moore is seriously ill at her home on Macy St. Mesdames A. E. Lealia, T. Richardson and James Elise were the guests of the Argus reporter on Sunday. Rev. J. W. Jacobs, President of the St. Louis, held a Quarterly Meeting at the C. M. E. Church. Rev. Jacobs departed Saturday for Newberry, Mo., where he will conduct his meeting there. Miss Kate Smith was hostess to the Enfranchisement Club at her home on Mary Street a few days ago. After spending an hour working the ladies served a delightful luncheon. Miss Katie Smith, President; Mrs. Joan Sylvester, Secretary; Rev. W. M. Reed, of Wynona, Ark., pastor, first sermon at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Sunday, July 8. Everyone enjoyed his excellent sermon. The Ladies' Community Club met at the home of Mrs. E. S. Pendleton Monday, July 9, with eight members and four visitors present. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Hicks August 13. Mrs. D. C. Freeman, Vice-President; Mrs. C. F. Jackson, Acting Secretary; Mrs. W. M. Reed, Secretary; Mr. C. H. Chauncey, of Leola, Ark., passed through this city en route to Chicago, Ill., Sunday. Mr. Jas. Frauts is quite ill at his home.

**ALTON, ILL.**

Miss Leola Brown and Loma Semula, of Edgewood, Missouri, called on Tuesday, July 11, at the home of Mrs. M. A. Hyndman, Rev. and Mrs. G. Brewer attended the Sunday School Convention at Quincy, Ill., last week. The automobile, belonging to Mr. L. Evans, which was stolen Friday, July 13, was recovered Saturday, July 14. A concert was given by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at the Union Baptist Church, Monday, July 16, for the benefit of the East St. Louis sufferers. An excellent program was rendered, after which a collection was taken. A social was given at the residence of Mrs. C. V. Adams, Thursday, July 12, for the benefit of the North Side A. M. E. Church. An enjoyable evening was spent. A picnic social was given Friday, July 20, for the benefit of Campbell A. M. E. Church. All witnessed a delightful time. A carnival will be given at the North Side A. M. E. Church, July 23 and 24. The funeral of Mrs. Nora North was held Saturday, July 14, at the A. M. E. Church. Co-workers of the Salem Baptist Church were baptized in Wood River Sunday, July 15.

**IN MEMORIAM**

In memory of my loving husband, Austin W. Otley, who departed this life one year ago, July 19, at Alton, Ill. (Signed) Mrs. Anna Otley.  
Motto—Do business with a neighbor, whenever it is possible, but at any rate do business with your own race—America Woodmen.

**FARMINGTON, MO.**

By Miss Dwyer P. Baker  
Miss Alice Meyer has gone to Chicago, Ill., where she expects to make her future home. Mesdames Beulah Cayce and Lavergne Smith, of St. Louis, spent a few days here last week. Messrs. Chas. Cayce and Samuel Goodwell returned to Frisco Sunday. Good Will Lodge had the pleasure of initiating John Cayce, Ed. Carson, Chas. Carson, Jerome Valle, Henry Remfro, Weyman Boddie, Julius Johnson and Joseph LaMarque Saturday night. Mrs. E. A. Smith attended to business at Coffman last week. Camp No. 11 of the Order of American Woodmen perfected its organization Tuesday night, following a lecture by Commander B. J. Knox, last Monday night, at the A. M. E. Church. Refreshments were served each night. Mrs. Wilborn was chosen President of the Camp. Miss Matie Kalle has gone to Michigan to spend her vacation. Mr. J. P. Evans has been elected Sunday school deacon at the convocation, which will take place at Springfield, Ill., August 1. Mr. Debra and Dr. Watkins presided at a successful operation on Mr. Olan Poston last Wednesday. The operation is doing fine. He was visited by his brother, Rev. A. Poston, of Peoria, Mo., last Thursday. Miss Lurline Matthews was the guest of Mrs. L. Armourer at St. Genevieve last week. Miss Helen Mat Robinson, of Boone Terra, Sunday. Mr. Geo. H. Powers, of St. Louis, was the guest of Miss Alice Swink a few days ago. While here he was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Frank. Among the out-of-town people to join the American Woodmen Camp No. 11 were Mr. Gus Lyons and Miss Alecia Doult.

**ST. CHARLES, MO.**

By Elmer Hubbard  
Mrs. J. H. Smith, of East St. Louis, Ill., and Miss Helen Curtis are visiting Mrs. Edward Smith, of this city. Rev. C. M. Miller preached at the Zion Baptist Church, St. Louis, Sunday. Rev. Miller, while at St. Louis, was among the large crowd who heard Dr. Dobson, of New York, speak. Rev. Miller and members are putting forth every effort in order that the Berean Baptist Association, which convenes here August 20 to 26, may equal all previous meetings. Mrs. Hattie Sewell, who has been visiting friends at Moberly, Mo., has returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. are visiting friends at Alton, Ill., where they expect to make their future home. The Good Hope Baptist Church will hold their communion service Sunday. Rev. Monroe will be present. Mrs. L. Johnson of Augusta, visited friends last week. Mrs. Ella Skotton and brother were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Best, Sunday. Miss Edith Best left Monday, after a three-week visit with her mother, Mrs. Annie Ball. Mr. Alonzo E. Reynolds, of Kinloch, visited friends here Sunday.

**MACON, MO.**

By Mrs. Madge Clarke  
Mrs. Villey and daughter, Miss Alice, of Haysville, Mo., spent a few days as the guests of Mrs. J. T. Ansell. Darlington Austin and Preston Wright spent Sunday in Louisiana, Mo. Miss Leola Dairs and Mr. Verne Gooding, of Clarence, Mo., spent Sunday at Macon. While here they attended the sermon of the S. M. T. and U. B. F. Misses Mable Smith, Victoria Brasell, Flora Hissel, Mamma Alfred Oliver, and Cecil Henderson motored to Clarence, Mo., Friday evening. Miss Edna Cooper, of Trenton, Mo., and Lillian Booker, of Liberty, Mo., are among the teachers attending the institute. Mrs. Lawrence Broadus of Fayette, Mo., is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. T. Thompson. Mrs. Mollie Green spent Sunday at Boer and attended the S. of P. sermon. Messrs. Martin Kelly, Peter Lewis and June Dameron were Macon visitors Sunday. Miss Anna M. Elroy is expected to leave soon to spend her vacation at Des Moines, Iowa. Mrs. H. C. Clark entertained Mrs. Harvey Evans, of St. Louis, Mo., at dinner last Sunday. Prof. F. Perkins, of Kingston, Mo., is the guest of his brother, Prof. E. W. Perkins, of this city. Mrs. Frank Perkins, of Peoria, Mo., and Miss Mary Wallace, of Clarence, Mo., were Macon visitors Sunday. Rev. Dan Howard, Virginia Wallace and Arvid Shivers motored to Macon, Mo., Sunday. The sermon of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. Lodge was largely attended.

**FULTON, MO.**

By Jewell Wilson  
The members of the M. E. Church here, favored by the interesting remarks of a member of our race who has recently come from Africa. His talk was based upon the conditions existing here and those of Africa. The Second Christian Church raised \$507 in their rally. Mrs. Clarence Galt's little daughter is very ill. Mrs. Galt returned from New Richmond, Monday, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. Hubbard. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hubbard are the proud parents of a fine baby girl. Mother and baby are doing fine. The Band Boys gave a concert Thursday night, which was successful. The base ball game between

Columbia and Fulton was largely attended. Scores were in favor of Fulton. Mr. Wm. Kinney, who underwent a severe operation, is improving slowly. Mr. Bob Kibby is on the sick list.

**ST. CLAIR, MO.**

By P. V. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Buckner and children, of St. Louis, were visiting Mrs. Buckner's father, Mr. C. Elliott, this week. Miss Ella Ewing is at home again. Rev. Wallace, daughter and son, visited friends at Moberly, Mo., last Sunday. Miss Hazel White was the guest of her aunt, Mr. Morris, at Moberly, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Murray entertained at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Buckner last Monday.

The Mescham Park First Baptist Church, Mescham Park, So. Kirkwood, Mo., preaching Sunday 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. Prayer meeting 5 a. m. also Tuesday and Friday nights. Communion and sacrament every fourth Sunday at 3 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 8:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

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